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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,800,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " " "

" 12 " " 5 " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. OROMBIE,

Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2,800,000. RESERVE FUND, 1,150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH IN HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

Entertainment.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

WILL PERFORM

TRIAL BY JURY,

by

ARTHUR SULLIVAN,

AND

DIBDIN'S BALLAD OPERA,

THE WATERMAN,

at the

CITY HALL THEATRE,

THIS EVENING,

the 22nd Instant, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained and Places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after Thursday, the 17th, at Noon.

W. WHEELER,

Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 22, 1879. ap23

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED, versus MAHED CHOY KHETSEY, sued for and on behalf of all the Partners, comprising the Firm of NURSEY KESWICK & Co.—Suit No. 3, Original Jurisdiction.

By Order of CHARLES F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Sheriff under direction from the Registrar of the Supreme Court, by virtue of an Execution in the Supreme Court in the above-named Suit.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 26th April, 1879, at 2 p.m., at the residence of Messrs NURSEY KESWICK & Co.,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—Office Desks, Tables, Chairs, Copying Press, Shelves, and Scales.

Dining Table, Side-board, Crockery and Glassware, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Washstands, Toilet Tables, Mirrors, Pictures, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap26

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY,

Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 751 and 752, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILL, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to

Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON,

Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

Illustrations.

HONGKONG ARTILLERY VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERLY ROOM, 19th April, 1879.

It is notified that the DRAUGHTS at present in course will be Altered until further Orders to TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, and not, as heretofore, viz., TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS.

A. COXON,

Captain-Commandant H. K. A. P.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision, and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,

Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my20

Illustrations.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

CALCUTTA SUN HATS and HELMETS in New Shapes. CHRISTY'S SUMMER STRAW and FELT HATS. ELLWOOD'S EXTRA LIGHT PAINTED AIR CHAMBER HELMETS. FRENCH LIGHT SUMMER BOOTS & SHOES, CANVAS SHOES.

ELECTRO-PLATED ICE PAILS, ICE TONGS, ICE SHOVELS, ICE PITCHERS. The New ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS for Kerosine, perfectly safe. ELECTRO-PLATED CIGAR LAMPS, LAMP TENNIS BATS and BALLS. POCKET SIPHONIAS and WATERPROOF COATS.

AUTOMATON UMBRELLAS, PERFUMERY and TOILET SOAPS. INDIA RUBBER AIR BEDS, CUSHIONS and PILLOWS. The New CHIT BOOKS. MAPS OF AFGHANISTAN. CAFETIERES. COCOA-NUT MATTING & MATS. New SCARVES, BRACES and COLLARS.

The PATENT LIFE JACKETS and SWIMMING BELTS. MEERSCHAUM and BEAR PIPES. DE LA RUE'S and AMERICAN PLAYING CARDS. The Celebrated HUNYADI JANOS MINERAL WATER. SPRATT'S FIBRINE DOG BISCUITS. MAGNIFYING GLASSES.

MAPS OF CHINA. A Large COLLECTION OF WORKS OF REFERENCE. FAMILY SCALES. OVERLAND TRUNKS.

CLARETS, SAUTERNES and OTHER LIGHT SUMMER WINES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 2, 1879.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of the Articles of the Association of the Company, and of the Companies' Ordinance 1865, an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, situate at No. 7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, at 8 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 6th day of May next, for the purpose of passing a special Resolution making certain alterations in the Articles of Association of the Company to the following effect, viz:—

1. That the General Managers, with the sanction of the Consulting Committee, in any years that the accounts of the Company shall render it desirable, may pay losses wholly or in part out of the excess of the Reserve Fund over and above \$250,000, in order that contributing and other Shareholders may not unnecessarily be deprived of Bonus and Dividend; such changes to take effect from the 1st January, 1879.

2. That the annual bonus payable to contributing Shareholders and the annual contribution to the reserve fund be left to the discretion of the General Managers and Consulting Committee, and that the sum to be annually appropriated to dividend be subject to the approval of the Company in Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Second Extraordinary General MEETING of Shareholders will be held, at the same hour and place, on TUESDAY, the 20th day of May next, for the purpose of confirming such special Resolution as aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of April, 1879.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

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PHOTOGRAPHY.

POPPLEBAUM

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he has taken over the BUSINESS of Mr H. SCHUREN—well known in Hongkong—and is prepared to take PHOTOGRAPHS daily from 8 a.m. till 1 p.m. Having previously been employed by Mr SCHUREN, and had long experience in some of the most celebrated Studios in Europe, he will take any Work in PHOTOGRAPHY, and is able to guarantee satisfaction to all who favour him with their Patronage. Photographs enlarged to life-size and finished in Artistic Style. Any Pictures not meeting with the approval of Patron will not be charged for.

PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO,

Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my21

SAINT JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Seatholders of ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH, will be held at the Vestry on THURSDAY, the 24th day of April instant, at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of electing Two Trustees for the ensuing year, and for passing the accounts of the Treasurer, under the Provisions of Clauses 4 and 16 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1847. Applications for Sitings may be made to the Undersigned.

EDMUND SHARP,

Trustee and Treasurer to the Body of Trustees.

Hongkong, April 15, 1879. ap24

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, Dr EASTLAKE will receive his Patients at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, Queen's Road Central, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

AN EIGHTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TAELS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 3rd April, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th April.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 9th April, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,

Liquidators.

Shanghai, April 1, 1879. my7

NOTICE.

THE Business of the Undersigned will in future be conducted under the Firm of SHARP AND DANBY.

SHARP & Co.,

Estate Agents and Valuers.

WILLIAM DANBY, C. E.,

Architect and Surveyor.

No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately occupied by Messrs E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, April 17, 1879. ap24

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my20

SAILOER'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, Books, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN HETZL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST, in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.

VOGEL & Co.,

Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my10

FOR SALE.

COKE.....\$7.50 per ton.

COAL TAR.....5 cents per gallon.

Delivery to be taken at the Gas Works, West Point.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879. ap30

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.) WASHBURN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WILLIAM SALWAY in our Firm CEASED on the 1st Instant. Mr W. WILSON will Sign the Firm in Liquidation.

WILSON & SALWAY,

Architects, &c.

WITH Reference to the above, I have admitted Mr SOTHEBY GODFREY BIRD as a Partner; the Business will henceforward be continued under the Name of 'WILSON & BIRD.'

W. WILSON.

Hongkong, April 7, 1879. my7

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Poochow Dock, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co.,

Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. jf8

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "NAMO,"

Capt. WESTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap23

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO. The Steamship "ALBA,"

Capt. F. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap23

FOR HANKOW. (Calling at SHANGHAI if sufficient inducement offers.)

The Steamship "LOUDON CASTLE,"

will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 24th Instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap24

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamer "CRUSADER,"

Rowen, Master, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap26

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Bark "PENOBSCOT,"

Intimations.

Volume Seventh of the
"CHINA REVIEW."
Now Ready.No. 4.—Vol. VII.
—OF THE—
"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

Jettings from the Book of Rites.
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.
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Translations of Chinese School-books.
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.
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Appendix to Wylie's "Coins of the Ta-Ching Dynasty." "Hien Fung" Period.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.
Notes and Queries:—
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Trout in China.
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Chinese Coins.
Coronation of the King of Lochoo.
The Ougur Alphabet.
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.
China Mail Office,
Hongkong, March 21, 1879.

Notices to Consignees

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"OCEANIC," from San Francisco, &c.,
are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading for countersignature here, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer
will be landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.

H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap28

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. SINDE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.
"Indus," from London, in connection
with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be
obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before 3 p.m. To-day, the 17th
Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY,
the 24th Instant, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 17, 1879. ap24

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Ex "Yangtze."

H. L. c/o Mr. A. Marty, No. 1, 1 case

Arms, from Marseilles.

Ex "Andaluz."

Ment. Joubert, Hanoi, 2 cases Wax, from

Saigon.

Ex "Peiho."

AME (in diamond) Nos. 8, Order, 1 case

H. L. 8—Cotton, from London.

S. P. Order, 22 bags Stones, from Madras.

Hongkong, April 10, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"VOLGA."

Commandant ROZBACH, will be

despatched for YOKOHAMA

shortly after the arrival of the next French

Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 22, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"TRAVADY."

Commandant GUYARD, will be

despatched for HANGHAI

shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 22, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

THE YEARLY GENERAL MEETING
of the Members of the HONGKONG
CLUB will take place on WEDNESDAY,
the 30th Instant, at 5 o'clock P.M.
By Order,
EDWARD HEART,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 22, 1879. ap30

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

JOHANN FRIEDRICH, German brig, Capt.
A. H. Kronke.—Wielor & Co.GOLDEN FLEET, British barque, Capt.
James Wiltshire.—Gilman & Co.ONIDA, British ship, Captain S. Clyma.
—Gibb, Livingston & Co.TAIWAN, German barque, Captain O.
Jessen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.QUEEN OF INDIA, British barque, Capt.
R. H. Cary.—Adamson, Bell & Co.FLEURS CASTLE, British steamer, Capt.
Kidder.—Adamson, Bell & Co.ALEXA, British barque, Captain George
Robb.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.PARALOS, French barque, Captain T.
Paseo.—Carlowitz & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 22, Ben Glos, British steamer, 1199,
Buchanan, Bombay March 28, Singapore
April 9, and Saigon 17, Rice.—Gibb,
Livingston & Co.April 22, Atholl, British steamer, 922,
W. S. Thomson, Saigon April 17, Rice.—
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.April 22, Chinkiang, British steamer,
from Canton.April 22, Antenor, British steamer, 1644,
H. Jones, Liverpool March 1, Malta 11,
Port Said 15, Suez 18, Aden 25, Penang
April 11, and Singapore 15, General
and 280 chests Opium.—BRITZKEFELD &
SWIRE.April 22, Cyclop, German gunboat, 480,
Von Schuelmann, Shanghai April 16.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 22, Alalanta, for Hoihow.

22, Envy, for Amoy.

22, Serpdon, for Singapore, London,
&c.

22, Gualior, for Shanghai.

22, Flintshire, for Saigon.

22, Khiva, for Europe, &c.

22, Pinoboot, for San Francisco.

22, Gleniffer, for Saigon.

CLEARED.

Charmer, for San Francisco.

Namoa, for Coast Ports.

Fleurs Castle, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

Per Antenor, from Liverpool, &c., Mrs.
Isabell, Mrs. Allen, children and ser-
vant, Mr. Scott, and 740 Chinese.

Per Ben Glos, from Saigon, 7 Chinese.

Per Atholl, from Saigon, 10 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Gualior, for Shanghai: from Hong-
kong, Messrs Wilson, and de Souza, and
93 Chinese; from Southampton, Mr.
Letobford; from Venice, Mr. and Mrs.
Major, Mr. and Mrs. Blair, and Mr.
Anderson; from Brindisi, Messrs Bourke,
Hole, and A. R. Dent; from Suez, Rev.
Zenone Mettner, and Mr. A. Paay; from
Bombay, Mr. H. Mody.—For Yokohama:
from Southampton, Mr. A. Davis.Per Khiva, from Hongkong: for Sou-
thampton, Commodore G. W. Watson, The
Hon. C. May, Mrs. Linstead and native
female servant, Mr. and Mrs. Deane, 3
children and 1 European maid, Messrs
Edward Robinson, Rhodes, C. A. Walms-
ley, Bennet Sohye, Henry Bassall, S.
Sprague, M. McCourt, J. Scott, J.
Middlewick, W. Russell, J. Kodaky,
and A. G. Roberts; for Gibraltar, Mr.
Arias; for Singapore, Miss Douglas.From Yokohama: for Venice, Mr. J.
Hartley and servant; for Southampton, Mr.
Bayer.—From Shanghai: for London, Mr.
G. Gnevis; for Southampton, Mr. Hol-
day, Mr. A. Hutchison, Master Edmund,
Capt. and Mrs. McQueen, 2 infants and 2
native servants, Mrs. Bushell, infant and
European female servant; for Brindisi, Mr.
Walker; for Calcutta, Messrs M. Forrest
and Campbell; for Gibraltar, Mr. and Mrs.
Hughes; for Bombay, Mr. Wade Gardner.Per Alalanta, for Hoihow, Mr. William-
son, and 108 Chinese; for Haiphong, Mr.
and Mrs. Telles, the (2) Master Boyer, and
13 Chinese.

Per Envy, for Amoy, 110 Chinese.

Per Serpdon, for Straits, 840 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Ben Glos reports:
Fine weather to the Paracels; thence to
port have heavy N.E. gales accompanied
with high sea. Arrived in port at 5 a.m.
(Tues 18) 22nd.The British steamer Atholl reports: From
17th to 20th light variable winds and fine
weather. On the 20th and following days
strong wind from E.N.E. with heavy sea.The British steamer Antenor reports:
Left Liverpool March 1st and arrived at
Malta on the 11th, left same day, arrived
at Port Said 15th, left 21st Canal 18th, ar-
rived at Suez 18th, left same day; arrived
at Aden 25th, left same day; arrived at
Penang April 10th, left on the 11th; ar-
rived at Singapore 15th, and left for Hong-
kong 16th; had good weather generally; ex-
cepting North or Maclefield Banks, when
experienced a moderate gale from N.E. and
very high sea, commencing 2 a.m. on 21st
and moderating 24 hours afterwards. Pass-
ed Tenth South in the Red Sea, Hector at
Aden, Priam and Nestor at Penang, Diomed
at Singapore, and on 22nd S. S. Serpdon
South of this port.

CARGOES.

Per British barque Hesther, sailed 28th
March, 1879, from New York:—14,500 boxes
Fire Crackers, 8,200 rolls Matting, 281
pkgs. China Ware, 357 lbs. Preserves, 281
pkgs. Canees, 144 bales Hides, 450 cases
Palm Leaf Fans, 100 cases Java Bricks, 200
piculs Cassia, 74 boxes Essential Oil, 80
piculs Tea, 10 cases Soy, 123 pkgs.
Merchandise, and 4,149 pkgs. Tea.Per British ship Charym, sailed 10th
April, 1879, for San Francisco:—26,750bags Rice @ 50 lbs., 600 boxes Nut Oil, 254
boxes Root Flour, 930 Empty Quakeilver
Flasks, 92 bales Gunny Bags, 50 pkgs. Tea,
65 bags Tapioca, 50 bags Pepper, 50 pkgs.
Samshoo, 20 pkgs. Rangoon 10 boxes To-
bacco, and 552 pkgs. Sundries.Per American barque Black Hawk, sailed
12th April, 1879, for San Francisco:—
37,689 bags Rice @ 50 lbs., 700 boxes Nut
Oil, 560 rolls Matting, 200 pkgs. Fire
Crackers, 1,000 bales Hemp, 180 bags Pepp-
er, 150 bags Sugar, 60 bags Tapioca, 300
cases Cassia, 80 pkgs. Tea, 150 boxes Rice
Flour, 20 boxes Paper, 20 boxes Tobacco,
and 6,144 pkgs. Sundries.Per Norwegian ship Sumaride, sailed
17th April, 1879, for London:—10,998 bags
Sugar, 2,054 rolls Matting, 660 pkgs.
Canees, 700 cases and 225 cases Preserves,
275 piculs Cassia, 259 piculs Galangal, 100
piculs Galls, 47 bales Waste Silk, 55 bales
Hides, and 161 pkgs. Sundries.Per German barque Permosa, sailed 19th
April, 1879, for Hamburg:—2,600 boxes
Fire Crackers, 568 piculs Cassia, 478 pkgs.
Preserves, 103 pkgs. Canees, 150 piculs Ga-
langal, 72 piculs Galangal, 60 boxes Es-
sential Oil, 51 rolls Matting, and 284 pkgs.
Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY, TAMSUI, and TAIWAN.—
For Amoy, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednes-
day, the 23rd inst.For HAIPHONG (Dir. et).—
For Waihi, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow, the
23rd inst., instead of as previously
notified.For SHANGHAI and HANKOW.—
For London Castle, at 11.30 a.m., on
Thursday, the 24th inst.For SAIGON.—
For Cassandra, at 5 p.m., on Thursday,
the 24th inst., instead of as previous-
ly notified.For BANGKOK.—
For Rajanattunhar, at 8.30 p.m., on
Friday, 25th inst.MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet Peiho will
be despatched on TUESDAY, the
29th Instant, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon,
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bom-
bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet Oceanic will
be despatched on SATURDAY, the
3rd May, with Mails for Japan, San
Francisco, and the United States,
which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay
can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my3

HOURS OF CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by both the British and
French Contract Packets:—Day before departure.—
5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post
Office closes except the NIGHT BOX,
which remains open all night.Day of departure.—
7 a.m.—Post Office opens.10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases.
Posting of all printed matter and
patterns ceases.11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents until11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes
entirely.11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late Fee of
18 cents until time of departure.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, April 22, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$575.

" Old " cash, 545.

" New Benares, cash, 545.

" Old " cash, 785.

" Allowance Teles., 785.

" Old Malwa, credit, 750.

" Allowance Teles., 750.

Exchange.

Bank Wire, 3/6.

" 30 days' sight, 3/7.

" 6 months' sight, 3/7.

Credit, 3/8.

Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/8.

India Wire, 222.

" demand, 222.

Shanghai, 60 days' sight, 784.

Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine, 28 50.

Sovereigns, 5.57.

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 47 1/2 prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,400

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,800

North China Ins. Co., \$1,300

Yantai Ins. Assoc., \$1,785

Chinese Insurance Co., \$270

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$750

China Fire Ins. Co., \$175

H.K. & W. Dock Co., 5 1/2 prem.

H.K. & C. M. S. Boat Co., \$4 1/2

Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$15

China Coast St. Nav. Co., \$15, 95, ex div.

Hongkong Gas Co., \$70

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$85

China Sugar Refining Co., \$137

Chinese Imperial Loan, \$118

Do. of 1877, 2110

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Palmer & Co.'s Premises,
Queen's Road.)

Hongkong, April 22, 1879.

BAROMETRE.—9 a.m. ... 30.110

Do. 1 p.m. ... 30.028

Do. 4 p.m. ... 30.028

THERMOMETER.—9 a.m. ... 68

Do. 1 p.m. ... 71

Do. 4 p.m. ... 72

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 a.m. ... 61

Do. Do. 1 p.m. ... 63

Do. Do. 4 p.m. ... 64

Do. Maximum ... 72

Do. Minimum over night ... 59

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW
Shipping.

Daylight.—Namoa leaves for Coast Ports.

Noon.—Albay leaves for Amoy, &c.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 24:—
Noon.—London Castle leaves for Han-
kow.Goods per Sindh undelivered after
Noon, subject to rent and landing
charges.4.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Seatholders of
St. John's Cathedral Church at the
Vestry.FRIDAY, April 25:—
Cruiser leaves for Manila.SATURDAY, April 26:—
2 p.m.—Sale of Household and Office
Furniture, &c., at Messrs Nourse Kes-
seltree & Co.TUESDAY, April 29:—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.WEDNESDAY, April 30:—
5 p.m.—Meeting of the Members of the
Hongkong Club.SATURDAY, May 3:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.TUESDAY, May 6:—
3 p.m.—Extraordinary Meeting of the
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.TUESDAY, May 20:—
3 p.m.—Confirmatory Meeting of Hong-
kong Fire Insurance Company.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1878.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 1879.

If anything were necessary to illustrate
the great need which exists for telegraphic
communication between London and the
Cape, it is furnished by the anxiety
felt at this moment throughout the world
as to the relief of Colonel Pearson's
column now or lately entrenched in the
Zulu town of Ekowe. Yesterday's tele-
gram is so far satisfactory inasmuch as
it informs us that the relieving force
started on the 30th March, and that the
vanguard was enabled to communicate
by signals with the beleaguered garrison.In order to give our readers an idea of
the "possibilities" of the situation, it
will be well to state what is known
about Pearson's position. When the
British troops assumed the defensive,
after the fatal blunder of Isandula,
Pearson's column entrenched itself at
Ekowe, a town about thirty miles north
of the mouth of the Tugela River. The
force thus cooped up was composed of nearly
1750 (of whom 1300 were fighting men),
and these were exclusively British troops,
—the native battalion, numbering one
thousand, having fortunately been sent
south to Fort Stanger. It is said that
the garrison had an ample store of am-
munition, although the fort was provi-
sioned only for a short period. One
authority, however, asserts that Pearson

strength. Commodore Watson is also one of the passengers; he was pulled from the *Victor Emanuel* to the mail steamer in his own galley, manned by officers, viz.: Messrs. Browner (stroke), Winterbottom, Baynes, Cullinane, Anton, Mahoney and Yates, who presented him with two silk flags, an ensign and a pendant. We hope soon to hear of the points being out of the pendant and the square flag hoisted by Vice-Admiral Watson. The *Khiva* carries away other old and esteemed friends from our midst. *Bon voyage.*

We hear from the North, says the *N. C. Daily News*, that H. E. Hoellonoy Li Hung-chang holds General Grant in such high estimation, that he is anxious that he should visit Peking, where, it is reported, he would be received with most distinguished honours. Arrangements, it is said, are in contemplation for the proposed visit to take place, on a scale equal, if not surpassing, the reception of any other foreigner who has visited China, and this solely at the instigation of Li himself, who is fully conversant with the General's eventful life, and thinks there is an affinity in their respective careers. The matter, however, is still in embryo.

The following shipping notes are from our American exchanges:—The Pacific Mail steamship Company's steamer *City of Peking* arrived at San Francisco on the 21st ult., from Hongkong via Yokohama, making a splendid run of 23 days, 20 hours from Hongkong, and 16 days, 22 hours from Yokohama. The German bark *Manila II*, Captain Gonner, arrived at San Francisco, on the 19th ult., 69 days from Hongkong. The American ship *Matchless* was on the berth at San Francisco, on the 22nd ultimo, for Hongkong. The British ship *Lothian* left Victoria, Vancouver's Island, on the 16th ult., for Shanghai, with 615,000 feet of lumber from Burrard's Inlet. One-eighth of ship *Adam M. Simpson* (1525 tons of Philadelphia), has been sold for \$4775. She is now at Cardiff, loading for Hongkong.

The Chinese have commenced buying American iron for shipment to China. A few days before the departure of our advisers just to hand from America one hundred tons were purchased and shipped from New York, said to be the first purchase or shipment of American iron ever made by Chinese people. Heretofore, they have made their purchases from the British, because of the cheaper rate, and the Americans want to know what it all means. The *Alta* says:

Whether this transaction is the beginning of a more extensive business in that line, or a sporadic act dependent upon peculiar circumstances, is not yet evident. Can it be that the shrewd Chinese have made this commencement of a possible future trade in that line for the purpose of strengthening the feeling at the East in favor of their people's immigration? It is not impossible, and the influence of that purchase and shipment, should it be accepted as the beginning of a new branch of trade with China, is sufficient to make every eastern dealer in iron ten times more an advocate of unlimited Chinese immigration than he ever was before. Judging some of the people there by their words and acts, they would not hesitate to balance the Mongolizing of California against the sale of a hundred tons of pig iron.

The programme for General Grant's tour, says the *New York Sun*, was "arranged for him by the men in this country who are understood to be coaching him for the next Republican nomination, and to be paying the expenses of his foreign tour with that object in view. But when the statement was first published that the United States vessel *Richmond* was to be detailed to carry him over the last part of the trip, and protests began to come in from all parts of the country, these managers became alarmed, and wrote to General Grant that it was best for him to go to India in one of the mail steamers, and by the time the *Richmond* reached Bombay the people here would have gotten over their first burst of indignation. He could then join the *Richmond*, in the meantime having followed out their programme and sail in her to China and Japan."

The Hon. Mr. May was the recipient, before his departure, of a gratifying address from the officers of the Magistracy. Owing to the hon. gentleman's illness no formal presentation of the address was made, but it was forwarded to him before his departure:—

Magistracy, Hongkong,
21st April, 1879.

The Hon. CHAS. MAY,
First Police Magistrate,
&c., &c., &c.

Sir,—It is with feelings of more than ordinary regret that we, the undersigned officers of the Magistracy, learn that you are compelled by illness to revisit your native land. The long terms that many of us have passed under your esteemed direction and the kindness and regard we have all ever experienced at your hands make it imperative upon us, we think, to in a few words, express before you go, our gratitude for the courteous and considerate treatment you have always extended to us, as well as to state, that it is our most sincere hope that but little time may elapse before you may be restored to the state of health that will enable you to resume the duties of Police Magistrate or, far better still, to assume some superior appointment in the Government that will merit upon your part, will be productive of the best results in the administration of the Government itself.

Hoping you will persevere with anything but dissatisfaction the few words we have inlaid in expression of our respectful and grateful feelings towards you.

We are, Sir, your most obedient servants:—(Signed) Arratoon Selly, James Parker, Li Hong Mi, Pe Kwai Sheng, Bedell Lee Yun, Li Ahong, Ng Pak Sheng, Suag Cheong Kin, George Saunders, J. F. Fernandez, Li Ayam, Li Amay, Lo Shi, Kiu Ashen.

List of Articles presented to the City Hall Museum from February 18th to 18th April 1879:—

Curious Egg, presented by Ng Choy, Esq.; 2 War Maaks, by J. M. Emanuel, Esq.; Cassawary's skin, by P. H. Emanuel, Esq.; 2 Flashes, by B. Schmaeker, Esq.; 6 Shells, by John Brown, Esq.; Crocodile, J. B. White, Esq.; 4 Padlocks and 1 Stone Adze, by Capt. Reddell; 2 Sea Gulls, by W. Quincey, Esq.; Lizard, C. A. Ozorio, Esq.; Swallow, by A. G. Cary, Esq.; Snake, by G. Boulouze, Esq.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending April 20th, 1879:—

	European.	Chinese.
Monday, April 14th,	78	6.8
Tuesday, 15th,	37	110
Wednesday, 16th,	78	511
Thursday, 17th,	81	545
Friday, 18th,	189	775
Saturday, 19th,	120	685
Sunday, 20th,	201	Sunday
Totals,	784	3,244
Grand total, 4,028.		

The British steamer *Glenlyon*, from Shanghai to New York, where she arrived March 9th, had a rather eventful encounter with an American vessel. It is thus described in the report furnished to the New York *Maritime Register*:—

Sighted the ship *Kentuckian* (of Boston), Mosley, at noon on Feb. 19th, in the Mediterranean, about 40 miles from the port of Algiers. The Boston vessel was flying a signal of distress, and the steamer approached her. Her captain was running about aft in an excited manner, flourishing a pistol in his hand. When the steamer got within speaking distance of him he hailed her, saying that he was 90 days out from Trieste, and bound for the S. W. West passage, but that his crew had mutinied, and that he, having run out of provisions, was starving. A boat was lowered from the steamer, and fresh water, 54 pounds of preserved meat, and a bag of bread were placed in it. The first officer took command of it, and coming alongside the ship, asked if it would be safe for him to come on board. On the Captain replying in the affirmative, the officer started to climb over the ladder which had been placed over the side, when the charges of the Captain's revolver were fired over his head. When the dock was reached, he found everything in good order, and the crew, which consisted entirely of colored men, were obeying orders. The Captain was asked what he stood most in need of, and replied that he required tea and preserved meat, but that he was well supplied with everything else. From his manner it was evident that he was insane. He asked to be towed to Gibraltar, a distance of 400 miles, for £200. As there was a fair wind for Algiers, and the steamer's supply of coal was insufficient for the purpose, the officer replied that they were unable to do so. He remained on board for three-quarters of an hour, but saw nothing out of the way in the conduct of the crew. After advising the Captain to put into Algiers, which he could reach at night or early on the following morning, if the wind held, the officer returned to the steamship. As the Captain of the latter had no authority to interfere, he proceeded on his voyage, and arrived at Gibraltar two days afterward. There can be no doubt that the Captain of the *Kentuckian* was insane. The *Kentuckian* left Trieste, Austria, on Nov. 8th, and when spoken near Algiers by the *Glenlyon*, was already 96 days out. She arrived at Irtiz March 31 with the Captain dead.

The great excitement which prevailed here in 1876 in connection with the *O. O. Whitmore* case, will not soon be forgotten. Snow, the mate of the barque, has just stood his trial before the United States Circuit Court, Justices Sawyer and Hoffman presiding, and has been acquitted, and discharged from custody after having been over a year in confinement. The trial lasted six days, and the case is characterized by the Press as one of the most notable of the present day. The Foreman of the Jury, which acquitted Snow of all the five counts against him, writes to the *Commercial Herald* to say, and that unhesitatingly, that, in his opinion, and those of his fellow-jurymen, the cause of Ellwood's death was syphilis, and not as charged in the indictment; and that the two sailors ought in justice to be indicted for perjury and sent to the Penitentiary. The statement of the case which we give below is written by the Foreman of the Jury. We may add that Captain Peabody and Mr. Snow have left New York for Boston, where the former will stand his trial on the same charge:—

During the past week a very important and interesting trial has been held in the United States Circuit Court—Justices Sawyer and Hoffman presiding. It was the case of the United States vs. Snow, mate of the bark *O. O. Whitmore*, who was charged with murder, etc., upon the high seas, on a voyage from Cardiff to Hongkong, in the year 1876, the charge in chief being the killing by Snow of a sailor named Ellwood, by beating him to death with a belaying pin, and other cruel treatment, causing death. The Government had for prosecutor District Attorney Van Duser. The defendant was ably aided by W. H. L. Barnes, Esq. The trial occupied more than a week. The prosecution had to rely in chief upon two sailors—seamen on the *Whitmore*—Wright and Deland. The two men were positively to the beating and cruel treatment, but they swore with too much positiveness. They over-did the mark and swore to a lie right straight through, as the jury and Court evidently believed. The defendant relied solely upon Captain Peabody, of the *Whitmore* who testified in behalf of the mate, and who, by the way, is himself now under an indictment in Boston for the same offence, said indictment consisting of twenty-one different counts. When placed upon the witness stand, His Honor, Judge Sawyer, warned and cautioned Captain Peabody not to say anything that might in any way tend to criminate himself, etc. To this he replied simply

that he had nothing to conceal, but that he intended to narrate truthfully the whole circumstances of the voyage in all its several details, without fear or favor. And he did so in such a manner as to convince the Court and Jury, and mostly all who heard him, that he was telling the truth. The mate, Snow, the defendant, was placed upon the witness stand to testify in his own behalf. Of course there two officers testified positively against the story of the two sailors. Judges Sawyer and Hoffman each charged the jury, after which the case was given to them for adjudication. After an absence of two hours the jury returned with a verdict of acquittal on all five of the counts. Upon motion of Colonel Barnes, Mr. Snow was at once discharged from custody.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before the Hon. the Acting Palace Judge, J. J. FRANCOIS, Esq.)
April 22, 1879.

Britto v. Su Wing.—This was a claim for \$50, rent of a godown in Queen's Road, belonging to plaintiff and occupied by the firm to which defendant belonged, for the last nine or ten years. Su Wing, the defendant, whose name was on the summons was dead; died twelve months ago, but Low Ahoi, another member of the firm, who carry on a mat-shop, came forward and admitted the tenancy. Summons was consequently amended by the Court, making Low Ahoi defendant. The rent had been regularly paid up to the month of February, in advance. Defendant then got a month's notice to quit, and further notice that if he did not quit by March 15th, the rent would be \$50. Defendant alleged on oath that he got verbal permission to stay one month longer at the old rate of \$15. This permission, plaintiff said on oath, he never gave. The Judge held that defendant must have mistaken what was said. Judgment for amount sued for, with costs.

Kan Yow v. Yip Ayut.—Plaintiff claimed \$23, damages sustained by him in consequence of a goat belonging to him having been beaten by plaintiff. The goat had been seriously injured in the leg by defendant kicking it. The goat had before given two bottles of milk a day, but none since. This represented a loss of 42 cents every day since to him, and the value of the goat. He saw the defendant strike the goat with an iron bar, breaking off its horns; one horn produced. The goat-herd also saw him strike the goat. Defendant said he never struck the goat; it was eating his white beans and he drove it away quietly. The goat-herd corroborated the plaintiff's evidence. His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for \$5 without costs.

Lin Sui v. Marshall.—This was a dispute about the payment for a painting in oil of the *London Castle* in a storm. Plaintiff is the master of the *Kin Shan* painters' shop; defendant is master of the British steamer *London Castle*. The piece agreed to be paid was \$15, but when the Captain saw the painting he was willing to pay only \$3, and as this vessel had to leave this morning, he left the matter in the hand of his comrade with a view to a compromise.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for \$12 with costs. The painting was produced, and showed a rather exaggerated picture of the storm, the steamer having seven or eight heavy seas washing over her at once.

Gracious v. Reizes.—This was a claim for \$4.50, money lent. The plaintiff was watchman at the Hongkong Hotel, and the defendant had been employed as a barber at Mr. Moore's. Plaintiff failed to prove his case and judgment was entered for the defendant.

Police Intelligence.

There was very little doing at the Police Court to-day. Cheung A-sam, a trader, was charged by Mr. Seth, chief clerk at the Magistracy, with having endeavored to use a Registration ticket which was not his own. Mr. Creagh fined him \$5.

Thomas Lopez, a seaman, unemployed, was charged with being drunk and assaulting Mr. Tonnochy's coolie. He admitted the charge, and said he struck the man because he would not get out of the way. He was fined \$5 for drunkenness with the alternative of four days' hard labour, and ordered to pay \$1 amends to the coolie, or be imprisoned for a further term of three days.

Thomas Prosser, Thomas Keenan, and John Timmonth, seamen, American ship *Republic*, were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and damaging property in a brothel in Peel Street. The third defendant appears to have acted more as a peace-maker than as a disorderly character, and was not drunk. Mr. Creagh therefore discharged him; but the first defendant he fined \$2, with the alternative of five days' hard labour, and the second \$5 or seven days' hard labour. Each man was also ordered to pay \$50 amends, or be further imprisoned for five days.

Pauline Gordon, residing at Peel Street, was summoned for keeping a house of ill-fame to the annoyance of the neighborhood. The summons was taken out at the instance of Indian Constable No. 674, owing to a complaint made by Mr. Pestonjies, one of the neighbors. The defendant did not appear, and a medical certificate was put in certifying that she was unwell. The case was therefore adjourned till Friday, the 26th instant.

THE PRESIDENT'S VETO.

(New York World.)

The most creditable thing, so far as President Hayes is concerned, in connection with the veto message which he yesterday sent in to Congress was the Anti-Chinese bill, is the fact that he sent it in. It is due to him to remember that in the circumstances of this case it would have been easy for him to accomplish a practical defeat of this hasty and discreditable measure without expressing officially his own opinion of it at all. And it is due to him also to remember that he was urged to this course by journals which have been reputed to be of influence with his own political party. His esteemed metropolitan contemporary, the *Harvard*, earnestly and elaborately entreated him to keep silence upon the subject, and the *Tribune* endeavored to frighten him into the same course by depicting in language at once ludicrous and pathetic the

dangers inevitably attendant upon decisive and courageous action where strong currents of antagonistic public opinion happen to be visibly running. President Hayes has not hitherto done much to discountenance such counsellors as these, and the country therefore will hail his present action with equal satisfaction and surprise. The ignominious collapse under the President's veto of the majority by which the bill was originally carried, while it is as discreditable to the House of Representatives as the veto is creditable to the Executive, proves, if proof were needed, that the veto really represents and that the passage of the bill did not really represent the sober deliberate judgment of the American people. It is the fault not of the President nor of that rational majority of the people which he represents, but of the Californian advocates of this measure and of the legislators who co-operated with them, if the failure of this ill-considered and unstatesmanlike attempt to deal with the undoubtedly important problem of Chinese labor in the Pacific States shall come to be interpreted as indicating that the rest of the American people regard that problem either with incredulity or with indifference. Nothing could be further from the truth. The President in his message calls the attention of the advocates of the bill which he disapproves to the fact that no longer ago than 1868 the people of California welcomed the special embassy of Mr. Burlingame from China very warmly. He intimates, without unduly or discourteously dwelling upon the point, that it would have been easy for them at that time to suggest such modifications of the treaty then about to be negotiated under the strongest pressure from their part of the country in its favor, as might have obviated any present necessity for the stringent and vehement anti-Chinese action to which they seek to urge their fellow-citizens and the Government. The President does not touch upon the point, however, which we have ourselves taken the liberty of pressing upon the country in general and upon the Californians in particular, that the chief grounds of objection now urged by them against the Chinese could never have been taken shape and consistency had our own laws made under the treaty of 1868 been duly and faithfully executed in the Pacific States. Now that the attention of the country has been aroused to the condition and the outlook of the Chinese problem on the Pacific, our Californian fellow-citizens need not fear that it will be easily diverted again from the subject until it has been thoroughly and coolly examined in all its aspects and in all its bearings, with an eye to such action as can be taken in regard to it by this great republic without discredit to its national reputation, or danger to the principles which underlie the very fabric of its national greatness.

THE DEFENCE OF RORKE'S DRIFT.

(Daily News.)

Lieutenant Chard's report of the defence at Rorke's Drift is the most cheering document which has, up to this moment, arrived from South Africa. The numerous friends of Lord Chelmsford have been defaming him on the score of his many undoubted victories and exaltations, which only fail when he is in chief command. Lord Chelmsford has given another proof of the nobility of his character in the few lines prefixed to Lieutenant Chard's report. There is no sign of a petty mind in the hearty praise which the defeated general grants to the victorious lieutenant. He extols the readiness which took advantage of every scrap of cover, and made a sketchy but sufficient breastwork out of mealie-bags. If Lord Chelmsford continues to command her Majesty's forces in Zululand he will doubtless take a lesson from Lieutenant Chard and Bromhead. The business-like and careful report of Lieutenant Chard is in strong contrast to the melancholy narrative of Isandula. There is here no hesitation, no laziness. Lieutenant Chard observed all that passed with the watchfulness of a dispassionate looker-on. He "timed" each event as it occurred, and never refers in the slovenly way of Major Monson and Xenophon to things that took place about "breakfast time" or "an hour or so after luncheon." It is a pleasure to read his story, a pleasure to comment on a tale so unvarnished of so workmanlike a defence.

From the report of Lieutenant Chard, it appears that the was left in command at Rorke's Drift on the fatal 22nd by the departure of Major Spalding to Helpmakaar. He was looking after the points on the river about a quarter past three o'clock in the afternoon, when Lieutenant Adendorff, of Commandant Lonsdale's regiment, and a carabineer rode up bringing the tale of the utter disaster at Isandula. News had reached Lieutenant Bromhead at almost the same moment, and before Chard could join him Bromhead was busily preparing for the defence. He was engaged in loopholing and barricading the hospital and the large outhouse where the stores were kept, and connecting the two buildings with a breastwork of wagons and bags of mealie.

Lieutenant Bromhead may have remembered the Americans who fought behind a wall of cotton in the old War of Independence. It is pleasant to learn from the officer in command that his subalterns possessed ready wit as well as courage. Mr. Dalton, of the Commissariat, had also lent his aid, and Lieutenant Chard, engineer as he was, found nothing to alter in the dispositions of his comrades. He next went back to the points by the river, and here comes not the least interesting detail in the story. The point guards, Daniels and Sergeant Milne of the 3rd Buffs, with five or six men, volunteered to man the points in mid-stream, and keep the ford against the whole Zulu vanguard. These brave men, that sober sergeant of the Buffs, more worthy of praise than the reckless hero who died for England's honour in China, knew well what they had to expect. The news brought fresh from Isandula cannot have minimised the horror of the massacre. The seven or eight point-guards understood that a vast force, wild with success, and as cruel as courageous, was within a few minutes' march of the river. They knew that they themselves would be alone in their desperate adventure; that their comrades in the improvised fort could give them no assistance. They volunteered for a more than forlorn hope; for there was not a chance that one of them would survive the encounter.

Lieutenant Chard did not accept the offer; he had other uses for such soldiers; who showed, in a moment when panic would have been almost pardonable, their native contempt for a barbaric foe. In one hour and five minutes after the first alarm firing was heard in the neighbourhood. Some of Rorke's Drift, who

had acted as vedettes, fled to Helpmakaar. Captain Stevenson's detachment of the native Natal contingent, some hundred men, with the captain himself, retreated in the same direction. One corporal of that force remained (Corporal Schiörs), and was remarked for his gallantry where all were brave. We now see that Chard had lost more than half of the forces for which he had constructed breast-works. He had to man his outworks with only half the necessary soldiers. The enemy were almost upon him, but, where some would have departed or fought wildly and perished, Chard threw up an inner circle of defences with no better material than biscuit-boxes. As he had to defend the hospital as well as the store-house, his line was even now extremely thin.

At what hour the battle began it is not quite easy to say. By some error, 4.20 is given as the moment when firing was first heard, and also as that at which the attack on Chard's position commenced. Though Lieutenant Chard's opponents were uncivilized men, they showed much military common sense. He did not defeat novices. The Zulus made use of every inch of cover. The bush round the house was unused (an oversight for which, of course, Chard is not responsible), and from the bush, the garden, and a commanding ridge, the force aimed at their first. They marked the one whole side of the outer wall, while they diverted the attention of the English by a series of assaults on the other front. Our men gave them the bayonet. Modern warfare is a matter of long shots, but we can still meet savages hand to hand. It has been ungenerously and unjustly inferred that the regulars at Isandula ran. Later intelligence avers that they fell in their places, literally mobbed to death, but still fighting. One private—his ammunition gone, his bayonet bent or broken—was seen to knock down two Zulus with his fists, if native evidence is to be believed. In this one point, courage, the defeated Isandula did not fall behind the victors of Osoburg. Courage cannot make up for want of numbers; and after fighting from the outer defences for more than an hour, Chard's men fell back within the inner circle of biscuit boxes. Meanwhile the hospital had been fired; and though each room was cut out, though Privates R. and W. Jones, with Hook and Williams, met the savages with the bayonets, though they fought as their fathers fought at Rorke's Drift, the burning hospital and a flow of the sick had to be abandoned. While the late twilight was lit up with flames, among the yells of the savages, Chard calmly threw up a kind of redoubt, thus obtaining a double line of fire. Mr. Dunne exposed himself bravely at this most dangerous task. It is the hopefulness, the resource of these men, even more than their courage that their countrymen must admire. It is one thing to fight to the death, another to organize defences, in the cool spirit of science, amid the horrors of a night attack by overpowering forces. The house was absolutely surrounded. Every point was simultaneously attacked. The fury and the serpentine cunning of men who combine the discipline of Europeans with the craft of Red Indians had to be guarded against. Through all the hours of darkness relieved by fire-light, the English soldiers "never wasted a shot." When firing ceased, at four in the morning, Chard and his men did not rest. They patrolled the ground, collected the weapons of the dead, and removed the indelible blotch from the roof. About seven the enemy were returning in force, apparently by the Nomovayo ford to the south-west of Rorke's Drift. When Lord Chelmsford's forces were seen on the other side, the Zulus withdrew, and Chard's task was over. He and Bromhead had saved the colony, and had shown the forethought, coolness, determination, and courage of true commanders. We now know the perils which the desertion of their native contingent added to the situation. We see that they had but an hour in which to fortify their post, and that while panic was busy on every side. Their achievement, and that of their men, will never be forgotten in English history.

THE LOOCHOO ISLANDS.

The *Japan Gazette* says the Envoy to the Loochoo Islands is supposed to have arrived there on the 20th ult. He is said to have taken an autograph letter from the Mikado to the king, commanding that the *Han* should be superseded by a *Ken*. Whether the king obeys these instructions or opposes them, the Envoy is commanded to bring him to Tokio.

INDIAN ITEMS.

Unless the Presidency towns make haste, Pondicherry will be *urbis Primi in India*, so far as the electric light goes. M. Bernes, an engineer, is now on his way out from Paris, for the express purpose of lighting the capital of French India, according to the latest inventions.

The fatal results of the cholera epidemic lately prevalent in Ceylon, are shown by official statistics. From January 1876 to November 1878 there were 32,407 cases and 17,943 deaths—a mortality equal to 55 per cent of the seizures.

In the interval of Measures at Mandalay, time is found for business so civilised as a State lottery. The prize, a title of honour and Rs. 6,000, has been won by Mee-On, a Burmese girl eight years old. Her parents had been separated for some time past; but the result of the lottery known, they at once instituted a suit in the Burmese courts for the possession of their daughter.

Calcutta barristers will say anything. Now, we understand, they suggest that if Government should determine to abolish the Small Cause Court at Simla, the money so saved might be usefully spent in establishing a Divorce Court in its place. Lord William Berosford has obtained leave for six months, and has started for Natal.

The Indian Association have resolved to depute Mr. Lal Mohun Ghose to go to England to agitate the question of the admission of natives to the Civil Service, as well as other questions connected with the administration of India's affairs.

Dave Carson, and Mr. H. St. Maur, who have been very popular at the Cornishian Theatre this season, purpose, it is said, to bring out a company as a joint venture next season. The success of the Cornishian this season had to succumb to financial difficulties, and the season was brought to a sudden close.

The Bombay Chamber of Commerce have invited Mr. William R. H. M. P. P. Sir Louis Mallet, Mr. A. Campbell and Mr. J. Maclean (proprietor and editor of the

Bombay Gazette) to become honorary members of the Chamber.

The Maharaja of Solinda is said to have been encamped for the last week on a plain a few miles from Gwalior, with an army of 5,000 or 6,000 men, practising on fields of "mimic warfare."

Efforts are being made to open the Solinda State Railway to Gwalior about the middle of this month. The Viceroy is expected to be present at the opening ceremony.

The Maharaja Solinda has built extensive premises in his capital for a paper mill. The machinery for the factory has just reached Gwalior from Manchester, and it is expected that the mill will be ready for work on the last April next.

During the famine large quantities of cloths were made up in the Salem district to the value of some nine lakhs of rupees. These cloths, we learn, have been purchased by Mr. Coleman for three lakhs and fifty-five thousand rupees.

Mr. Samuel Plimsoll, M.P., the seamen's friend, has arrived in Bombay, with the intention of touring through India.

COMMERCIAL.

MESSRS. DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 19th April, says:—

Since the date of our last printed report only nine days have elapsed, owing to the usual change in the days of the departure of the mail.

Congous.—There has been an active market here for the New Season's teas, and settlements and contracts amounting to 13,200 boxes at Rs. 13 & 25 per picul are reported; prices have ruled rather in favor of buyers, and may be quoted about half to one and half per picul lower than opening rates. At Macao, there has also been a steady enquiry.

From a further acquaintance with the teas, there can be no doubt that the crop, as a whole, does not prove as good as that of last season; late arrivals show a marked falling off in quality, and the scarcity of fine tea is very apparent.

Shipments to date remain as last advised, but there will be a considerable quantity of Congou going forward per steamers *Andary* and *Sarpedon*, leaving Hongkong on the 19th and 21st instant respectively.

Caper loaf has arrived from the country in some quantity, and is pronounced to be better in quality than the first arrivals of last season; the cost to the countrymen being, however, much higher than tea men here are willing to pay, no purchases are reported.

There can be little or no seedling flower fit for use before a fortnight hence.

Silk.—In Fustic reels there has not been a single transaction, and the remaining stock on the market is composed of a small quantity of common mixed thread.

In Long reels, no settlements are reported.

Reels.—300 to 850 boxes of Cambric and Luckier have been contracted for at former quoted rates, and very little silk of desirable quality, suitable for re-reeling, is now on offer.

It would be premature at this period to speculate regarding the probable outcome of the coming crop. So far, we are told, the weather has been favourable for rearing, and mulberry leaves are plentiful and cheap. The worms are said to be in the third stage, but much will depend on their progress during the next two or three weeks. Waste of good quality, is not procurable and there are no settlements announced.

SETTLEMENTS SINCE 10CH INST.

1878-79. 1877-78.

For Europe,..... nil 6 bls.
United States,
do., Re-reels, 300 a 350 bxs. nil
Bombay,..... nil 6 pls.

Export of Silk.—Export to date:—To London, 4099 bales; to Continent, 5148 bales; to America, 7667 boxes; to Bombay, 2398 piculs;—total, 9187 bales, 7667 boxes, and 2398 piculs. Of Waste, 8084 bales, and Pierced Cocoons 809 bales for Europe.

DRUGS AND SPICES.—Cassia Lignea, is quoted at \$8.50 in mats, and \$8.75 in boxes, for New Season's Look Foo and Loring, and at \$9.10 in mats, and \$9.30 in boxes, for Old Season's cargo. Sales of New: 500 piculs. Stock 5.0 piculs. Sales of Old: 500 piculs. Stock 4.00 piculs. Cassia Buds, no Stock. Aluni, \$1.70 a \$1.80 per picul. Camphor, \$20.00 a \$20.50 per picul, picked.

SUNDRIES.—Fire Crackers, 72 a 77 cents per box, for Gowqua's No. 1, gold chop-Vermillion; \$33.00 a \$34.00 per box. Matting, Manching's Fine contract Wile 4/4, 14 cents, 5/4, 13 cents, 6/4, 12 cents, 6/4, 11 cents; Red Check, 4/4, 12 cents, 5/4, 11 cents, 6/4, 10 cents; Double Extra Imperial, white 4/4, 14 cents, 5/4, 13 cents, 6/4, 12 cents; Red Check, 4/4, 12 cents, 5/4, 11 cents, 6/4, 10 cents per yard. Cargo Ginger, new, in syrup (Chinglong) \$3.70; Mandarin, \$4.20; Young Stem, \$5.80 per case of 6 jars.—Soy: \$5.25 per picul.

IMPORTS.

LEAD.—There has been little enquiry during the period under review; 600 piculs "cargo" quality have been taken at \$5.25 per picul, but the market is now weaker, and prices cannot be quoted better than \$6.10 a \$6.20 for mixed brands and L.B., and \$6.25 a \$6.30 per picul for W.B. and Hole chop.

QUICKSILVER has slightly improved in value, and is quoted \$39.50 a \$40 per picul.

SHIPPING.

The rate of Freight to London, per steamer, is \$1.12 and per sailing vessel, 30/ per ton of forty and fifty cubic feet, respectively.

The rate of Freight to New York, per steamer, is \$2.17 and per sailing vessel, 32/ per ton of 40 cubic feet.

LOADING AND UNLOADING.—At Whampoa.—For London and New York.—None. At Hongkong.—For London.—Sumatrala, Stracathra, Prima Donna, Saripon, etc. For New York.—Golden Rule, T. A. Goddard, etc.

For San Francisco.—Charmers, Edith.

DEPARTURES.—From Whampoa.—For London and New York.—None.

From Hongkong.—For London.—None. For New York.—None.

For San Francisco.—Black Hawk, Ott.

Intimations.

ROMARIA A SANCHUAN.

PROJECTA-SE fazer uma romaria á sepultura do grande Apostolo das Indias, S. Francisco Xavier, sabido d'aqui ás 8 horas da tarde de Sábado, 3 de Maio p.v., (13 de lua) e de Sanchuan no Domingo a hora mais conveniente. Das quatro romarias que se fizeram neste século, em Dezembro de 1808, Agosto de 1827, Dezembro de 1869, e 3 de Maio de 1874, esta ultima foi a mais bem succedida em consequencia da falta de ventos impetuosos nesse mez em que a monção de Nordeste cessa de todo.

O preço de bilhetes incluindo comida será \$5 por cada romel.

J. J. DA SILVA e SOUZA,

Secretario.

Hongkong, Dia de Anunciação, 1879. m3

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), CRASED from the 1st August, 1877.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1879.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1879.

To Let.

TO LET.

TOGETHER OR SEPARATELY. MARINE HOUSE—WEST. FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS, and a GODOWN.

Apply to

E. R. BELILIOS.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879. my1

TO LET—AT WANCHAL.

FIRST CLASS GODOWNS. Goods of every description Landed and Stored.

For terms, apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, April 4, 1879. j54

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 3, SEYMOUR TERRACE. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

OFFICES IN CLUB CHAMBERS. Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1879.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East.

FIRST FLOORS of Nos. 2, 3 and 4, Praya East, with immediate possession.

As also,

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, March 4, 1879.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to

TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1879.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to

WO HANG,

Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West.

Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUKZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES. ALSO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 20th April, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. PEIHO, Commandant PASQUANT, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, FREIGHT, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Speeds will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Speeds and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 20th April, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. ap29

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES.

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. OCEANIC will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, May 3rd, 1879, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m., of the 2nd May. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 1, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 15, 1879. my3

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer ALASKA will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, April 27th, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of the 27th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 16, 1879.

INSURANCES.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERHUR.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have this Day taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant Insurances on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$5,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHRAN, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 26, 1872.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER AND SPECIAL ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1879.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1873.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £100,000 Reserve Fund upwards of £120,000 Annual Income £250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1869.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore B, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office. 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section. 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor No.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Afghan	5	c Hunt	Brit.	str.	1439	April 18 Adamson, Bell & Co.	Amoy, &c.	To-morrow
Albay	5	h F. Ashton	Brit.	str.	366	April 1 Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Atholl	2	h Thomson	Brit.	str.	923	April 22 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ben Glos	5	c Buchanan	Brit.	str.	922	April 22 Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Bombay	1	h	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12 Kwok Achong		
Braemar Castle	7	c Jacques	Brit.	str.	1425	April 17 Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saloon	To-day
Cassandra	2	h Langer	Ger.	str.	937	April 17 Siemens & Co.	Amoy	Sands' Slip
Cheang Hook Kian	2	h Webb	Brit.	str.	956	Mar. 14 Bun Hin Chau	Shanghai	25th inst.
Chinkiang	4	c Orr	Brit.	str.	798	April 22 Siemens & Co.	Manila	Tug Plying
Crusader	2	h Rowin	Brit.	str.	647	April 20 Remedios & Co.		
Fame	6	h Stopani	Brit.	str.	117 H. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		
Ferrolia	2	c Schultz	Ger.	str.	1115	April 6 Siemens & Co.		
Flours Castle	4	c Kidder	Brit.	str.	1622	April 17 Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saloon	To-day
Glennifer	5	h Graham	Brit.	str.	1400	April 18 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Europe, &c.	To-day
Khiva	3	c Lee	Brit.	str.	1506	April 19 P. & O. S. N. Co.		To-day
Leyte	5	c Zubiquirre	Span.	str.	312	April 8 Russell & Co.		To-day
Loudon Castle	7	c Marshall	Brit.	str.	1016	April 9 Adamson, Bell & Co.	Shai & Hankow	24th inst.
Malacca	5	c Smith	Brit.	str.	1709	April 18 P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	24th inst.
Mariveles	5	c Munoz	Span.	str.	425	Mar. 27 Remedios & Co.	Manila	K'loon Dock
Mc-Il	5	h Marsden	Chl.	str.	181	April 18 C. M. S. N. Co.	Holhow & Haiphong	MoD.'s Slip
Namca	5	h Westoby	Brit.	str.	802	April 18 Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	at daylight
Oceanic	5	c Metcalfe	Brit.	str.	3707	April 21 O. & S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F. China	3rd prox.
Rajanathapur	3	h Hopkins	Brit.	str.	983	April 18 Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	25th inst.
Sea Gull	3	h Haydon	Amer.	str.	48	Mar. 24 China Traders' Insurance Co.		
Tung Ting	3	h Hawthorne	Chl.	str.	314	April 8 C. M. S. N. Co.		Coast Dock
Wash	5	h Hunter	Brit.	str.	265	April 16 Landstein & Co.	Haiphong	at daylight
Zephyr	1	h Heuer	Brit.	str. Russell & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
Abbey Cowper	7	c Carr	Brit.	bge.	699	April 12 Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saloon	
Abbie N. Franklin	4	h Howes	Amer.	bge.	460	Mar. 6 Captain		
Alexa	5	c Robb	Brit.	bge.	424	April 20 Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Annie	2	c Möller	Ger. Sm. Co.	bge.	345	April 20 Melchers & Co.		
Charmer	2	c Lucas	Amer. sh.	bge.	1333	Jan. 8 Russell & Co.	San Francisco	Cleared
Cooran	2	h Brodhurst	Amer. sch.	bge.	144	April 11 W. H. Ray	Kobe	put back
Edward May	7	c Johnson	Amer. bge.	bge.	923	April 9 Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Emilio V.	4	c Morrell	Ital.	bge.	724	Mar. 23 Vogel & Co.	Manila	
Emil Julius	4	c Jurgensen	Ger.	bge.	601	Mar. 18 Melchers & Co.	Obefoo	
Fleisberg	4	h Jacobsen	Dan.	bge.	865	April 8 Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Obefoo	
Friedrich Perthes	3	h Walter	Ger.	bge.	448	April 18 Siemens & Co.	Obefoo	
Gertrude	4	c France	Brit.	bge.	493	April 18 Carlowitz & Co.	Callao	
Gesine Brons	5	h Trumbach	Ger.	bge.	693	Mar. 10 Wieler & Co.		
Golden Fleece	4	h Villahire	Brit.	bge.	1195	Mar. 7 Gilman & Co.	Burrow's Inlet	Wanchai Pier
Golden Rule	4	h Lewis	Amer. sh.	bge.	682	April 13 Vogel & Co.	New York	
Haze	4	c Evans	Amer. sh.	bge.	682	'April 13 Vogel & Co.	New York	
Highlander	4	h Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	bge.	1352	June 18 Wieler & Co.		
Johann Friedrich	1	c Kroncke	Ger.	bg.	242	April 12 Vogel & Co.	Tientsin	
Malvina	4	h Kluge	Ger.	bge.	479	April 16 Wieler & Co.		
Memnon	7	c Vass	Amer. sh.	bge.	850	April 13 Melchers & Co.		
Onaida	5	h Clyna	Brit.	sh.	2393	Mar. 15 Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Orange Grove	8	c Longmuir	Brit.	bge.	355	Mar. 21 Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Paralos	3	c Pasco	Fch.	bge.	842	April 20 Carlowitz & Co.		
Penobscot	2	h Chipman	Amer. bge.	bge.	1193	Feb. 23 Sutcliffe & Swire	San Francisco	Cleared
Phision	8	c Schael	Brit.	bge.	576	April 10 Wieler & Co.	Callao	
Prima Donna	4	h Lunt	Amer. sh.	bge.	1450	April 16 Vogel & Co.	London	
Queen of India	8	h Cary	Brit.	bge.	890	April 10 Wieler & Co.		
Republic	8	h Holmes	Amer. sh.	bge.	1301	Mar. 9 Russell & Co.	Honolulu	
Rosebud	8	h Colle	Brit. Sm. Co.	bge.	841	April 20 Order		
Rossini	7	h Albers	Ger.	bge.	1003	April 22 Messageries Maritimes		
Stracathro	4	c Miller	Brit.	bge.	1150	Dec. 17 Vogel & Co.	London	
Sumatra	5	h O'ough	Amer. sh.	bge.	1090	Sept. 5 Russell & Co.		
Tallie	4	h Stier	Ger.	bge.	266	April 20 Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Thos. A. Goddard	3	h Fletcher	Amer. bge.	bge.	682	Jan. 9 Russell & Co.	New York	
Thos. Fletcher	3	h Pendleton	Amer. bge.	bge.	645	Feb. 23 Captain	Victoria (V. I.)	
W. H. Holcomb	3	h Dutton	Amer. bge.	bge.	658	Mar. 28 Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	Coast Dock
WEAMFOA								
Taiwan		h Jason	Ger.	bge.	373	April 14 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Victory		h Whiting	Brit.	bg.	255	April 15 Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Tientsin	
CANTON								
Yanchia		h Schultze	Brit.	str.	782	April 22 Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	